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FIRE DEPARTMENT TO HOST ANNUAL THRILL SHOW

To highly publicize the need for education in the area fire safety and prevention, and to get a birds' eye view of Baltimore City Firefighters in action, the Baltimore City Fire Department will host its "Annual Thrill Show". The event will take place on Saturday, October 6, 2007 at the Baltimore City Fire Academy located at 6720

Pulaski Highway from 11:00 am-4:00 p.m.

The day will begin with various stunts including a staged dwelling fire that will take place inside of a building that is used by the fire academy staff to prepare recruits for field operations. Members from our Helicopter Emergency Aerial Tactical (HEAT) Team will perform a straight repel and rescue of a victim from a multi-story building as well as engage in a mock vehicle fire with a trapped occupant in need of extrication, treatment and transport by Paramedics. These re-enactments will provide the opportunity to actually see "The Jaws of Life" used by members of our Rescue Team.

As leaders in the metropolitan fire service, the Baltimore City Fire Department will present numerous static displays of

apparatus, equipment and resources utilized during every day emergency operations. Among the many static apparatus displays featured will be Squad Medics, Haz Mat 1, Recue 1, Technical Decontamination Unit, Fire Trucks/Squads and Engines along with the Collapse Unit, Dive Team Unit, Baltimore Police ESU and Helicopter, EMS Command, Mobile Command Unit, Dive Unit, Collapse Unit, Squad Boat, Gators, Respiratory, BGE and USAR Trailers and Crash Trucks. Other exciting activities will include bucket rides from Truck #51, fire engine rides, moon bounce, ball crawl, and a rope rescue. In addition, members of our Hazardous Materials Task Force and academy staff will engage in a simulated tanker truck fire. Units will affect the extinguishment and release of hazardous materials from a large tanker.



We will also have on display the Baltimore City Fire Department and the Johns Hopkins Mobile Safety Center. The Mobile Safety Center is a 40 foot simulated house on wheels designed to promote the safety of children and families by delivering fun interactive education and affordable safety products to the community.

There will be entertainment for everyone including food, giveaways along with fire safety and prevention literature. Fire department staff will be on hand to assist with developing home evacuation plans and provide applications for free smoke detectors to anyone interested. This event is dedicated to educating the public in fire safety and prevention.

Fire Prevention is everyone's business. "PRACTICE YOUR ESCAPE PLAN"!!